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**USWEST**

June 2, 2000

Ms. Magalie Roman Salas  
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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION  
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

Re: U S WEST Communications, Inc. and The Rye Telephone Company  
Joint Petition For Waiver of the Subscriber Carrier Selection Change  
Provisions of the Telecommunications Act of 1996  
CC Docket No. 94-129

Dear Ms. Salas:

This letter is being filed pursuant to a request from Jon Bernstein, Accounting Policy Division. On March 24, 2000, U S WEST Communications, Inc. ("U S WEST") and The Rye Telephone Company ("Rye") filed a Joint Petition for Waiver of the subscriber carrier selection change provisions of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 ("Joint Petition"), requesting that the Federal Communications Commission ("Commission") grant a limited waiver of the authorization and verification requirements of the Commission's carrier-change rules for 94 access lines located in Colorado. On May 17, 2000, U S WEST filed supplemental information in this proceeding at the request of Mr. Bernstein

In response to an additional request by Mr. Bernstein, U S WEST and Rye have revised the "welcome" letter draft contained in the May 17, 2000, supplement. The revised draft of the "welcome letter" is attached as Exhibit A.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (303) 672-5851.

Sincerely,



Mark Brinton

cc: Attached service list  
Kathryn Marie Krause, U S WEST

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## **EXHIBIT A**

## Welcome Letter

Date:

Dear Valued Customer,

You have been previously notified by U S WEST that your local telephone service will be transferred to The Rye Telephone Company. All Federal and State regulatory approvals have been met, and so we are starting the actual transfer process now.

The Rye Telephone Company would like to take this opportunity to welcome you as a new customer. The Rye Telephone Company is excited about becoming your new local telecommunications carrier.

We would like to start by stating that you will be receiving a higher-quality and more reliable service. Your monthly bill for local services will be the same or less than what you paid U S WEST. Your toll-free local calling area will change with only the Colorado City, Rye and Pueblo exchanges being toll free.

While the switch from U S WEST to The Rye Telephone Company will require a number change for you, there will be no charge for this number change and the cost for a U S WEST-provided recorded statement advising callers of the number change will also be a service to you at no charge. And, of course, there will be no charge for your switch in service from U S WEST to The Rye Telephone Company.

We would like to advise you that the transfer from U S WEST to The Rye Telephone Company may affect your long distance carrier (both intrastate and interstate), and that should you currently use a carrier that is not present in our switch, you will be contacted by a Rye Telephone representative to coordinate a carrier change to fit your needs at no charge.

As your new local service provider, The Rye Telephone Company will now be responsible for all service issues.

If you have any questions or concerns, please call our Customer Service Representatives, Deb, Diane or Nancie, at 676-3131 and they will be able to assist you.

Sincerely,

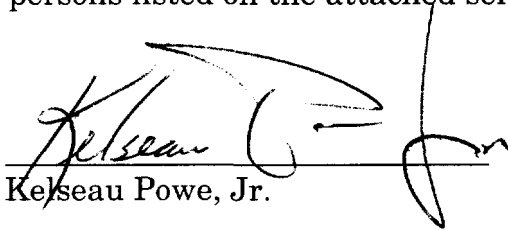
Sincerely,

Garry R. MacCormack  
General Manager

Michelle R. Anderson  
Assistant Manager

## CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Kelseau Powe, Jr., do hereby certify that on the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of June, 2000, I have caused a copy of the foregoing **LETTER** to be served, via first class United States mail, postage prepaid, upon the persons listed on the attached service list.

  
Kelseau Powe, Jr.

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